

hydrocarbon group of 0.8 to 4.2 nm length, which may have usual heteroatoms such as S, O, N or P.

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26. Vitamin D derivative according to claim 25, obtained by method according to claim 14, wherein in step c) two vitamin D aminopropyl compounds are coupled by means of condensation with a dicarboxylic acid.--

REMARKS

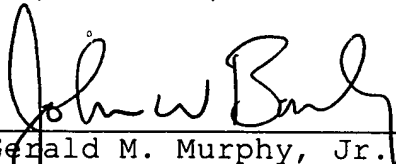
The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application. The claims have also been amended to delete multiple dependents and to place the application into better form for examination. Entry of the present amendment and favorable action on the above-identified application are respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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